



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 5935**

LCO No. 4782

Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by:  
(KID)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE HEALTHY FAMILIES PROGRAM.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) The Commissioner of Children and Families shall  
2       expand the Healthy Families Connecticut program established under  
3       section 17a-56 of the general statutes to thirteen birthing hospitals that  
4       do not currently offer healthy families coverage.

5       Sec. 2. Subsection (f) of section 17a-56 of the general statutes is  
6       repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

7       (f) The Commissioner of Children and Families shall report to the  
8       General Assembly on the establishment, implementation and progress  
9       of Healthy Families Connecticut, on January first and July first, of each  
10      year. The [first report shall be due on January 1, 1996] report shall  
11      include the percentage of eligible children that are actually served.

12      Sec. 3. The sum of two hundred ten thousand dollars is  
13      appropriated to Children's Trust Fund, from the General Fund, for the  
14      fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, for funding a new clinician at each of  
15      the three centers in the state with the highest rate of low birth weight

16 infants.

17 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To expand the Healthy Families program.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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